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East State Street work in Rockford begins July 6

DIXON – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that, weather permitting, construction on East State Street (Business US 20) in Rockford will begin Tuesday, July 6, 2021. The work zone is between Buckley Drive and Mid America Drive and includes the intersection with Perryville Road.

Daytime lane closures will be required, and two lanes in each direction on East State Street will be open. There will be intermittent multiple lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., when one lane in each direction will be open. Work includes resurfacing, and installing new storm sewers, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, and a multi-use path with lighting.

At Perryville Road, this intersection will be reconstructed to include a separate, dedicated right turn lane and dual left turn lanes from East State Street onto Perryville Road. New traffic signals will be installed in this intersection. William Charles Construction Company LLC of Rockford is the contractor for the \$6.6 million project, which is expected to be complete by the end of the year.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area and be prepared for slow and stopped traffic. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve 2,779 miles of highway and 7.9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Year One included approximately \$2.7 billion of improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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